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DEATHS.

At the Government Civil Hospital, about midnight on the 19th May, Wai Os, Solicitor, of Hongkong, deeply regretted.

On May 14th, at Shanghai, SYDNEY ZILMAN, daughter of Simon and Violet Levy, aged three weeks.

IN MEMORIAM.

In loving memory of ROBERT D. VASIA, who died at the Government Civil Hospital, Hongkong on the 21st May 1906. Deeply mourned and sadly missed.

"Although one year has passed away,
His loss we still bewail,
Our hearts retain in memory still,
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 21st, 1907.

The people have been talking: talking about "the Commission" and such bits of its Report as they have managed to assimilate. We have been listening, and as we feared, there is as yet no solid public opinion to take hold of. There are opinions, pious of them; but we cannot trace the proverbial "consensus." It does not exist yet. No one seems able to surround that voluminous Report, to take it as a whole. It cannot be so taken, perhaps, for it is more than a whole; it is several wholes. Hence, as we have said, in office and market, at dinner tables and on bathing launches, there are many opinions being published but no public opinion. The Hongkong public has the reputation of being apathetic in such matters. We doubt whether it is apathy so much as a sort of utilitarian spirit, a *cui bono* attitude towards Sphynxian problems, a reluctance to expend effort to no immediately visible result. That is natural here, where

agitations, petitions, plebiscites, and Reports of Commissions have come to be regarded as so many instances of kicking against the pricks. In a Crown Colony, with a bureaucratic Government, there is a stonewall of officialdom against which waves of popular feeling beat in vain. In such topsturdy administrations the servants are the masters, and the ratepayers imagine vain things. As we remarked a few lines back, there are piculs of opinions. "Look at Singapore," one says. "They have a Municipal Council there, and more Chinese electors than we have." But we listen in vain for any comparison of the Singapore Municipal Council with the Hongkong Sanitary Board that elicits any distinction amounting to a difference. The personal equation must be made here, and it is not easy to make. A good second to ecclesiastical tyranny is the tyranny of a secularism, which the Commissioners suggest has had to be suffered here, which the Chinese publicists tell us has caused much trouble and annoyance and fear to their poorer compatriots, and against which our gorge rises. The poor Chinese tenants who are being made clean by Act of Parliament, have just had a further insult and intrusion on their privacy. For no better reason than as a political object lesson, the OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has invited the public to witness the proceedings. It is no great feat to contemplate the indignities of others with an equable countenance; were we able to boast Chinese descent, our blood would boil at this official callousness to our manhood and self-respect, and we would write strong words about it. As it is, we merely pass the opinion that it is an impertinence for which any British Government should blush, completely out-Swettenbanning any blunder attributed to Sir ALEXANDER of that ilk. We should think the Chinese would be less annoyed by the cremation of their "dumped" corpses than by this; but the Government, "as at present advised," caresses native susceptibilities with one hand and assaults them with the other. In a Colony so full of anomalies as is Hongkong, however, such inconsistencies are not worth a grumble. The Sanitary Board itself is an anomaly. It has been the "something to play with" of a people instinctively attached to self-government, the sop thrown to the democratic Cerberus by an autocratic bureaucracy—and if the Commissioners be right in suggesting that it has gone to the dogs, the smile can pass. We may even stretch it, and give names to the three heads, the landlords, the rate-payers and the Chinese. One obviously rough and ready solution, pending a deliberate discussion of the reform scheme of the Commissioners and the objections thereto of the permanent officials, is to impatiently throw overboard our pin-beck franchise, and abolish the Sanitary Board altogether. "Oh Pott, if you'd known, how false she'd have grown, when you heard the marriage bells tinkle, you'd have done then, I trow, what you cannot help now, and handed her over to W" What rhymes to "tinkle"? The lady herself popped in and suggested Winkle. Let Winkle be a Health Department, and let us resign all pretensions to managing our own affairs, is one of the offhand opinions picked out of the many recently uttered. A minute by the DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, which will be published in due course, shows that Mr. WINKLE is quite willing.

The new quarters of the Victoria Recreation Club were opened yesterday morning. There was a large attendance of members and friends and the occasion was honored in an appropriate manner. Mr. Rodger, president, invited the company to drink "Success to the Club," and the toast was cordially acknowledged. During the day the opportunities for swimming were largely embraced.

A slight fire occurred on Sunday night at No. 6, Mountain View, occupied by Mr. Robinson, apparently due to a lamp having set fire to a mosquito curtain downstairs. Mr. Beattie who lives next door, was the first to discover the smoke and flames issuing from the back premises, and gave the alarm. In response the people of the terrace and their servants set to work. A regular band service of buckets was organized, and after some twenty minutes' arduous toil the fire fighters had the satisfaction of seeing the flames extinguished. The Fire Brigade was summoned, but having to climb the hill they did not get in there time to deal with the fire.

"All this simultaneous activity," says the *Tribune*, "is very striking and significant: for it betokens, on the one hand, a sense of the inadequacy of conventional religious systems, and on the other, an intense anxiety that belief should be brought into direct and universal relation with life. Whatever the age is, it is not indifferent. It is critical, in the sense that a good deal which has in the past been accepted as religious truth will be accepted no longer; and in particular it has no use for a religion which folds its hands in the face of serious social problems and speaks of them as the act of God when they are really the acts of selfish and sinful men. There is a general opinion that nineteen centuries of Christianity ought to have shown a very much better result than it has actually achieved."

The Chinese fast cruises *Haiyang* and *Hai-chen* have been ordered to visit the islands of the South Pacific, Tongking and Siam, wherever Chinese congregations, in order to show the Dragon flag to them and convince Chinese in foreign colonies that the paternal Home Government still keeps a friendly interest in their welfare. Tao-tai Tsi Ting-kan, of the Peiyang administration, will accompany the squadron as a special commissioner to endeavor to translate the patriotic ardor it is hoped to arouse into a practical attempt to raise voluntary contributions, which will assist the Government in building a Navy. The following are some of the places to be visited by the special squadron:—Hongkong, Saigon, Bangkok, Singapore, Java, Batavia, Samarang, Sourabaya, Holo (Philippines) and Manila. The squadron will make a stay of three, five, or seven days, as the case may be, in the harbour visited, in order to enable all Chinese who may wish to do so, to visit the cruises as much as they please.

The *N.C. Daily News* of May 16th says:—Mr. James L. Rodgers, who to the regret of the entire American community and many besides has been transferred to Havana, leaves Shanghai tomorrow afternoon to proceed to his new post via Siberia. Urgent messages have required Mr. Rodgers to reach Havana at the earliest possible moment and he will lose no time upon the way or in an intervening furlough. During the last few days several manifestations of the regard in which he is held by his fellow Americans have been tendered to the Consul-General. On Monday night the graduates of American colleges entertained him at a parting banquet at the Astor House. Yesterday afternoon the American Association arranged a farewell reception in the large dining room at the top of the new Palace Hotel. From four till six a steady stream of residents, including a number of ladies called to give a farewell handshake. H. E. Lu Hai-huan, Treaty Commissioner and other Chinese officials, Mr. Hobson, Commissioner of Customs, and several of other nationality than American were present.

The Arts Exhibition at 37, Queen's Road Central re-opens to-day at noon.

A promenade concert in aid of the gymnasium and boat fund of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps will be given on Saturday evening on the Volunteer Parade Ground.

The Japanese Government has notified China that it is ready to transfer the Heimin-tun-Mukden Railway, though the term within which it should do so has not yet expired.

Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai has offered a reward of \$500 for information leading to the arrest of the persons who placed the blood stains on certain houses in Tientsin, as recently reported in these columns.

Owing to alarmist reports by missionaries in Hainan, a British cruiser and American gunboat hurried to Hoihow early this month. The Chinese authorities had suppressed the trouble, however, which was a sort of garrison mutiny.

According to Japanese contemporaries, there is a serious depression of trade in Vladivostok and the Japanese merchants are reduced to a very trying position. The depression is attributed to the keen competition, which has led them to import considerable quantities of certain lines of goods, which they had to dispose of at a loss. The fact that many Japanese shipped goods for Vladivostok, without making a due investigation of the market which thus became glutted with the same line of goods, is also responsible for the depression.

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A slight fire occurred on Sunday night at No. 6, Mountain View, occupied by Mr. Robinson, apparently due to a lamp having set fire to a mosquito curtain downstairs. Mr. Beattie who lives next door, was the first to discover the smoke and flames issuing from the back premises, and gave the alarm. In response the people of the terrace and their servants set to work. A regular band service of buckets was organized, and after some twenty minutes' arduous toil the fire fighters had the satisfaction of seeing the flames extinguished. The Fire Brigade was summoned, but having to climb the hill they did not get in there time to deal with the fire.

"All this simultaneous activity," says the *Tribune*, "is very striking and significant: for it betokens, on the one hand, a sense of the inadequacy of conventional religious systems, and on the other, an intense anxiety that belief should be brought into direct and universal relation with life. Whatever the age is, it is not indifferent. It is critical, in the sense that a good deal which has in the past been accepted as religious truth will be accepted no longer; and in particular it has no use for a religion which folds its hands in the face of serious social problems and speaks of them as the act of God when they are really the acts of selfish and sinful men. There is a general opinion that nineteen centuries of Christianity ought to have shown a very much better result than it has actually achieved."

The Chinese fast cruises *Haiyang* and *Hai-chen* have been ordered to visit the islands of the South Pacific, Tongking and Siam, wherever Chinese congregations, in order to show the Dragon flag to them and convince Chinese in foreign colonies that the paternal Home Government still keeps a friendly interest in their welfare. Tao-tai Tsi Ting-kan, of the Peiyang administration, will accompany the squadron as a special commissioner to endeavor to translate the patriotic ardor it is hoped to arouse into a practical attempt to raise voluntary contributions, which will assist the Government in building a Navy. The following are some of the places to be visited by the special squadron:—Hongkong, Saigon, Bangkok, Singapore, Java, Batavia, Samarang, Sourabaya, Holo (Philippines) and Manila. The squadron will make a stay of three, five, or seven days, as the case may be, in the harbour visited, in order to enable all Chinese who may wish to do so, to visit the cruises as much as they please.

The *N.C. Daily News* of May 16th says:—Mr. James L. Rodgers, who to the regret of the entire American community and many besides has been transferred to Havana, leaves Shanghai tomorrow afternoon to proceed to his new post via Siberia. Urgent messages have required Mr. Rodgers to reach Havana at the earliest possible moment and he will lose no time upon the way or in an intervening furlough. During the last few days several manifestations of the regard in which he is held by his fellow Americans have been tendered to the Consul-General. On Monday night the graduates of American colleges entertained him at a parting banquet at the Astor House. Yesterday afternoon the American Association arranged a farewell reception in the large dining room at the top of the new Palace Hotel. From four till six a steady stream of residents, including a number of ladies called to give a farewell handshake. H. E. Lu Hai-huan, Treaty Commissioner and other Chinese officials, Mr. Hobson, Commissioner of Customs, and several of other nationality than American were present.

The Arts Exhibition at 37, Queen's Road Central re-opens to-day at noon.

A promenade concert in aid of the gymnasium and boat fund of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps will be given on Saturday evening on the Volunteer Parade Ground.

The Japanese Government has notified China that it is ready to transfer the Heimin-tun-Mukden Railway, though the term within which it should do so has not yet expired.

Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai has offered a reward of \$500 for information leading to the arrest of the persons who placed the blood stains on certain houses in Tientsin, as recently reported in these columns.

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TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

THE JAPANESE IN MANCHURIA.

London, May 18th.

The correspondent of the *Times* in Peking draws attention to the Japanese negotiation, in practice, of the policy of the open door in Manchuria, and to the wholesale employment by the Japanese of imitated British and foreign trade marks, also to breaches of copyright. The correspondent adds that these questions are impairing the good feeling between the two peoples.

RUSSIA.

London, May 18th.

In all, 22 were killed and 48 wounded, at Lodz, on the 17th instant.

CIVIL SERVICE SPORTS.

White Monday was as usual devoted by the Civil Service Club to a gala day at their picturesque ground at Happy Valley. Fortunately the weather was ideal and the members with their friends, found the time passed all too quickly. The programme of sports was designed in the interests of young and old, and the following sub-committee, who were in charge of the arrangements, are to be complimented on the excellent result of their efforts:—Messrs. W. H. Woolley, E. Longstaff, W. H. Kelly, E. Badcock, P. T. Lamb, C. H. Parkinson, W. Gast, E. Dawson, P. R. Adams, C. Bond, W. Fincher, T. Abley, L. A. Whool (Hon. Treasurer), and L. E. Brett (Hon. Secretary). Music was played by Macdonald's Band, and, at the close of the sports, the Hon. Mrs. Chatham, wife of the president of the Club, distributed the prizes to the winners.

DEATH OF MR. WEI ON, SOLICITOR.

The death took place at midnight on Sunday of Mr. Wei On, one of the most distinguished solicitors in Hongkong. The sad news, which came quite unexpectedly, was received with genuine regret by the many Europeans and Chinese who knew him. A member of the firm of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, he held a high place in his profession, while socially he was greatly esteemed. He took a keen interest in sports, and as a result in the present tense, he was at the Hongkong Club. He died at the Government Civil Hospital, where he went to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

MORRISONIGRAMS.

[From The Times.]

Peking, April 12th.

It is announced that a decree reconstituting the Government of Manchuria and appointing Hsu Shi-chang Viceroy in succession to the present Tatar General, Chao Erh-tsun, is only delayed because of the birthday celebrations in honour of Prince Ching. Hsu Shi-chang, at present President of the Ministry of the Interior, belongs to the school of Chinese statesmen of whom the Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai in the most prominent, and recently formed one of the Imperial Commission sent to investigate the affairs of Manchuria. His appointment and the present tense, he was at the Hongkong Club. He died at the Government Civil Hospital, where he went to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Many questions regarding Manchuria remain unsettled. The question of the establishment of Customs on the Russian frontier is delayed by a difference of opinion regarding the establishment of a duty-free zone of 50 versts, as provided by Article 1 of the land trade regulations of the Russian treaty of 1881 and by a difference of interpretation regarding the duties to be levied on goods destined for points on the Russian railway. Russia has restored the Mukden and Kwantung gold mines, but the question of the indemnity due for improvements effected during the Russian occupation is still unsettled.

Japan has agreed to restore the Hsin-min-tun Mukden Railway within one month of the payment of \$166,000. The line will then be converted into a standard gauge and linked to the Northern Railway system. The question of the Customs is still unsettled, Japan awaiting the termination of the Russian negotiation. It has, however, been agreed that Delany and the leased area shall be a free zone, the regulations being similar to those of the Kiao-chow Customs Agreement of April 17, 1890, so that China will have a branch of the Maritime Customs at Delany, but all the members of the staff are to be Japanese. At Antung the Chinese have conceded the right of the Japanese to import goods from Korea on a reduced tariff two-thirds of the ordinary tariff, as provided in the case of land-border goods between Manchuria and Russia, Yunnan and Burma, and Yunnan and Tongking. The question of the right of residence and of the *li-hsi*-free admission of goods in treaty ports in Manchuria is still unsettled; so also is the important question of Yalu lumber; but, speaking generally, marked progress has been made since the situation was last reported.

Peking, April 15.

An agreement was signed this afternoon by Chu Hung-chi and Nung-tung, Ministers of the Wai-wu, representing China, and Mr. Hayashi, representing Japan, settling the two railway questions in Manchuria. The agreement provides for the purchase by China at the price of \$166,000, of the Hsin-min-tun Mukden railway, China to enter into possession at the expiration of one month, and also to formulate preliminary terms for the joint construction of the Kwang-cheng-tzu-Kirin branch of railway.

To-day terminates the period of 18 months provided by the Portsmouth Treaty for the evacuation of Manchuria by all troops except railway guards. The evacuation was completed some time ago; but it is necessary to remember that the terms of the treaty, allowing 15 railway guards per kilometre, enable Russia to continue to maintain a force of 27,550 men and Japan a force of 14,675 men in Manchuria.

The Delany Customs agreement is expected to be signed shortly by Sir Robert Hart and Mr. Hayashi; but the question of Japanese telegraphs and post-offices in Manchuria is still in dispute between China and Japan.

SHANGHAI GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Minutes of Meeting of the Committee and Riparian Owners held on May 13.—Present:—Messrs. H. R. Kinnear (Chairman), Brasier de Thuy, J. N. Jameson, D. Landale, C. Michelan, and A. Wright, Committee, with Mr. L. E. Canning, Secretary.

The following firms were represented:—Messrs. Arncliffe Karberg & Co., Butterfield & Swire, China Merchants S. N. Co., Chinese Eastern Railway Co., Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., China Import & Export Company, C. A. Devlin, Jardine Matheson & Co., Mackenzie & Co., Ltd., Melchers & Co., Moorhead and Halse, New Engineering and Shipbuilding Works Ltd., Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Lea Robert, Royal Dutch Oil Co., Shanghai Paper & Paper Co., Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd. and others.

Mr. H. R. Kinnear said:—Gentlemen. We have asked you to meet the Committee of the Chamber to-day to discuss the letter received from the Conservancy Board laying down the conditions on which Riparian Owners may fill in their land and erect wharves and piers, a copy of which has been circulated to all of you. We have done this because we feel that unless a uniform plan is arranged on which the work can be proceeded with, it will be quite impossible to carry it out successfully. While the Conservancy Board lays down the conditions on which the work is to be done, it would appear to be left to the Riparian Owners to arrange the procedure for carrying them out. "You, Gentlemen, are not only the interested parties, but have amongst your number those best qualified from experience to judge how the plan should be worked so as to safeguard the interests not only of the conservancy of the river, but of all Riparian Owners. I would suggest, therefore, that you elect a Committee to elaborate a scheme for carrying on the work. This Committee could report later on, and if the scheme met with your approval, it could be forwarded to the Conservancy Board for its approval, and the work be proceeded with as soon as possible. I do not think there is anything more I can say, except to assure you that the Committee of this Chamber will give every assistance in its power. In the meantime, we shall be very glad to hear any remarks or suggestions which any of you may feel inclined to make. As I have said, you are the interested parties and our only desire is to further your interests in any way we can.

Mr. D. Landale (Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd.) Speaking as a riparian owner, we have heard what the Chamber of Commerce has to say, and I think we have heard a meeting to elect a Committee to go into the different questions and to formulate some scheme. I have only recently returned to Shanghai and have not yet had time to go thoroughly into the question. I would like to propose that we have a meeting of the Riparian Owners and elect a Committee to go into the whole question.

Mr. C. Michelan (Melchers & Co.)—I have pleasure in seconding that. I think it is no reason why application should not be made to the Conservancy Board for the "benko" papers. My Committee feels it is the business of the Riparian Owners and not of the Chamber of Commerce but we will do all we can by placing anything before the Consular Body. I do not think we can do any more, we shall be pleased to place this room at your disposal for your meetings, and I thank you for your attendance.

LAUNCH OF H.M.S. "INVINCIBLE."

The armoured cruiser *Invincible*, of the same class as the *Indomitable*, was launched last month from the shipbuilding yard of Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth, and Co., Newcastle-on-Tyne. Lady Allendale named the vessel in the presence of thousands of people. At 3 o'clock Lady Allendale broke a bottle of champagne over the bows of the vessel. The bottle was encased in flowers. Soon after the vessel was released, and glided gracefully into the water. There was not the slightest hitch. As the *Invincible* was moving down the ways to the accompaniment of great cheering a band, under the leadership of Mr. Amers, played "Rule Britannia," followed by the National Anthem. Later a portion of the company sat down to luncheon, under the chairmanship of Sir Andrew Noble, chairman of the company. "The King," gave the *Invincible* the name of the *Invincible*, but excluding the *Seydlitz* and *Ariadne*, the last of 24 war-vessels completed at Elswick for the Navy comprised two first-class battleships, four first-class cruisers, seven cruisers, two scouts, six gunboats, three torpedo-boat destroyers, having an aggregate displacement of 105,000 tons, and an aggregate horse-power of 250,000. The *Invincible* was begun in April last year, and it was hoped that she would be completed and delivered within 12 months from that day. (Cheers.) Sir Andrew coupled with the toast the name of Lady Allendale. (Cheers.)

Mr. J. M. Falkner replied on behalf of Lady Allendale.

In reply to the toast of "Rear-Admiral MacGill, C.B., and the Naval Officers who had superintended the construction," proposed by Sir Andrew Noble, Admiral MacGill said the Navy would be proud to receive this ship. With the exception of the *Dreadnought*, she was, perhaps, the most interesting ship ever launched. They expected great things of her. Whether the naval architects had anything up their sleeves he did not know, but he might say that the *Invincible* was one of the few ships that was not obsolete before she was launched. (Laughter.) Admiral MacGill referred to a recent attendance in the House of Commons on the Navy, and said if the Navy could not keep the steam to any one with whom they were at war the history of the country as a Great Power was at an end.

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Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.04 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood { E. to S.E. winds, light or moderate fair.

Formosa Channel { Moderate fair.

South coast of China between { Same as No. 1.

Hongkong and Lamooka { Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between { Same as No. 1.

Hongkong and Hainan { Same as No. 1.

LITIGIOUS PARSEES.

Mr. Lane, K.C., heard a summons at West London, brought by Horuaji Densaboy (Cana, of 63, Long-ridge-road, Kensington, against Sir Mancherjee Bhownagreg, of 186, Cromwell-road, S.W., for assault last month.

Mr. Livoridge supported the summons, and Mr. Harold Brandon (instructed by Bull and Bull) appeared for the defendant.

The hearing occupied some time, and evidently attracted the interest of the Parsee community in London, many members of which were present in court.

Mr. Livoridge said the circumstances arose out of a Parsee dinner, which took place at the Ritz Hotel on February 25th. At the conclusion of the dinner Sir Mancherjee went to attend the forthcoming New Year's festival dinner of the Zoroastrian Fund—a body that dealt with Parsee matters in Europe. Mr. Cana told him that for certain reasons he did not mean to attend the dinner, but Sir Mancherjee persisted throughout the evening in endeavouring to persuade him to alter his mind. Eventually, at the conclusion of a dance which followed the dinner, Sir Mancherjee, Mr. Cana and a Dr. Kapadia all drove off in a four wheeler, and went to Mr. Cana's house. There the discussion about the Zoroastrian Fund dinner was renewed, and in the end Sir Mancherjee became very excited, abused Mr. Cana in English and in Gujarati, and finished by striking Mr. Cana on the temple. Thereafter, Dr. Kapadia persuaded Sir Mancherjee to leave the house without any further disturbance. It was only with great reluctance, after waiting vainly for some days to see if Sir Mancherjee would apologise for his behaviour, that Mr. Cana took out the present summons.

The complaint was called, and bore out counsel's statement.

In cross-examination, he denied that he had brought the present proceedings out of spite against Sir Mancherjee, because the latter had defeated the efforts of himself and Dr. Kapadia and another Parsee named Patella to create a schism in the Parsee community.

Mr. Brandon At any rate, you three formed a sect called the Parsi Social Union? Well, that has nothing to do with this case.

And because Sir Mancherjee threw the whole of his influence against the split in the body you bore him a grudge?—Oh, no.

Mr. Brandon: I suggest that you are bringing this case in the hope that you secure a conviction which would be duly reported in the Indian vernacular Press, and would thus injure Sir Mancherjee's reputation?—I have no ill feeling against him.

Complainant further denied that he so arranged the issue of the summons that the hearing might take place on the day on which the Zoroastrian Fund dinner, at which the defendant presided, was to be held.

Corroborative evidence was given by Dr. Kapadia, a member of the Inner Temple and Lecturer at University College, London. He stated that Mr. Cana spoke to Sir Mancherjee about his (Cana's) signature not being appended with those of other Parsee gentlemen to some document that was sent to the Shah of Persia.

The Magistrate: Mr. Cana seemed to think that Sir Mancherjee was taking a good deal too much on himself?—Yes, that is exactly.

In cross-examination: Witness denied that he too, bore spite towards the defendant because the latter had refused to advance his claim to be made secretary to the Northbrook Club—a well-known Anglo-Indian club. As a matter of fact he was Oriental secretary to the club.

Mr. Brandon: Don't you accuse him of having exposed you to the club?—No, no.

Didn't you say he had told the club that you had lived in this country for thirty years, and yet you had a wife and family in India, and that, therefore, you were not a fit man to be secretary to such a club?—That has nothing to do with this case.

You would deny you have a wife and family in India?—I have, but that has nothing to do here.

Sir Mancherjee Bhownagreg, who stated that he was member of Parliament for ten and a half years, a Royal Commissioner for the Colonial and Paris exhibition, vice-president of the Northbrook Club, and a member of a hundred different public bodies, went into the witness-box, and denied that he struck Mr. Cana. He declared that he offered to give that gentleman and Dr. Kapadia a lift in his cab and out of court, and to take them to Long-ridge-road. He was very much pressed by Mr. Cana to enter his house, and they had some conversation in the dining-room. Mr. Cana and Dr. Kapadia appeared to be annoyed because he had been in communication with the Foreign Office respecting the murder of a Parsee in Persia, and as the conversation became rather excited and the hour was late, he rose to go. Mr. Cana stood in the way, and he walked past him to the front door. The door was locked, and he could not find the latch, and one of the other two pushed back the latch and he walked out, followed by Dr. Kapadia. Not a blow was struck nor any bad language used.

He denied in cross-examination that he had sent some friends to the complainant to induce him to withdraw the summons. On the contrary he had on three occasions refused to agree to the withdrawal of the case.

The Magistrate rather faced that two Englishmen of similar position as the parties in this case would not have brought the matter to a police-court. The fact that for eight months these gentlemen discussed the matter of the Zoroastrian dinner was a striking tribute to the genuine interest which the matter appeared to possess for them, and he had no doubt that it was a subject of considerable importance to their community. He thought quite likely that Mr. Cana did believe he was struck, but, accepting the sympathetic denial of the defendant, who was a gentleman of the highest reputation, and remembering that the complainant was not actuated by any feelings of friendship towards the defendant he would be committing a great mistake if he convicted, and he therefore dismissed the summons.

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1907.

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